DISPOSITION: May 26, 1949. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

2779. Adulteration and misbranding of Congo red. U. S. v. 176 Ampuls \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 26414. Sample No. 9097-K.)

LIBEL FILED: January 24, 1949, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about July 23, 1948, by George A. Breon & Co., from Kansas City, Mo.

PRODUCT: 176 10-cc. ampuls of Congo red at Bronx, N. Y. Analysis showed that the product contained not more than 0.6 percent of Congo red.

LABEL, IN PART: "Sterile Solution Congo Red 1% W/V."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 501 (c), the strength of the article differed from that which it was represented to possess, namely, "Congo Red 1%:"

Misbranding, Section 502 (a), the label statement "Congo Red 1%" was false and misleading.

DISPOSITION: April 11, 1949. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

## DRUGS AND DEVICES ACTIONABLE BECAUSE OF FALSE AND MISLEADING CLAIMS

## DRUGS FOR HUMAN USE\*

2780. Alleged misbranding of Gramer's Sulgly-Minol. U. S. v. Walter W. Gramer. Plea of not guilty. Tried to the court. Defendant discharged and information dismissed. (F. D. C. No. 25586. Sample No. 24582-K.)

INFORMATION FILED: November 30, 1948, District of Minnesota, against Walter W. Gramer, Minneapolis, Minn.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about April 16, 1948, from the State of Minnesota into the State of Wisconsin.

PRODUCT: Analysis disclosed that the product was an orange-red alkaline aqueous solution containing essentially sulfur, lime, and glycerin.

LABEL, IN PART: "Gramer's Sulgly-Minol \* \* \* Compounded and Developed by Walter W. Gramer, Minneapolis, Minnesota Distributor Fred J. Fasching 1110 Birch Street Eau Claire, Wis."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 502(a), certain statements on the label of the article and in accompanying circulars entitled "Arthritis It's Grip Broken" and "A Light Should Not Be Hidden" were false and misleading since the article would not fulfill the promises of benefit stated and implied. The statements represented and suggested that the article when applied to the soles of the feet before retiring, would be efficacious in the treatment of muscular pains; that it would be efficacious in the relief and in the treatment of arthritis; that it would be efficacious in the treatment of boils, acne, and ailments of a rheumatic nature; and that it would relieve one from the pains of arthritis and rheumatism and would take the stiffness and soreness out of one's legs and knees.

DISPOSITION: A plea of not guilty having been entered, the case came on for trial before the court without a jury. At the conclusion of the testimony, the court found that the Government had not sustained the burden of proof re-

<sup>\*</sup>See also Nos. 2774-2776, 2779.

quired under the law in proving the allegations of the information; and on April 6, 1949, the case was concluded with the dismissal of the information and the discharge of the defendant.

2781. Misbranding of Alapex. U. S. v. 176 Bottles, etc. (F. D. C. No. 23701. Sample No. 99846-H.)

LIBEL FILED: On or about September 19, 1947, Western District of Missouri.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: By Geoffrey Jordn, Inc., from Alliance, Ohio. The product was shipped on or about July 23, 1947, and a number of circulars were shipped on or about August 5, 1947.

PRODUCT: 176 4-ounce bottles of Alapex at Kansas City, Mo., together with a number of circulars entitled "Alapex for the Scalp." Examination showed that the product consisted essentially of alcohol, water, bichloride of mercury, and calomel.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 502(a), certain statements on the bottle labels and in the circulars were false and misleading. The statements represented and suggested that the article was effective in the treatment of falling hair, baldness, dandruff, and ringworm, whereas the article was not effective in the treatment of such conditions.

DISPOSITION: October 31, 1947. Default decree of destruction.

2782. Misbranding of Colusa Natural Oil and Colusa Natural Oil Capsules. U.S.
v. 5 Bottles, etc. (F. D. C. No. 23161. Samples Nos. 86912-H, 86913-H.)

LIBEL FILED: June 2, 1947, Southern District of Iowa.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about April 28, 1947, by Joseph Ventura, from Chicago, Ill.

PRODUCT: 5 4-ounce bottles and 15 2-ounce bottles of Colusa Natural Oil and 7 200-capsule bottles and 30 100-capsule bottles of Colusa Natural Oil Capsules at Clinton, Iowa. Examination showed that the products consisted of crude petroleum oil.

LABEL, IN PART: (Bottle) "Colusa Natural Oil \* \* \* Colusa Remedy Co. \* \* \* Los Angeles, California."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 502(a), certain statements on the bottle labels were false and misleading. These statements represented and suggested that the articles, when taken individually or in combination, were effective in the treatment of psoriasis, eczema, leg ulcers, athlete's foot, and open sores, whereas the articles when taken as directed, were not effective for such purposes.

DISPOSITION: March 15, 1948. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

2783. Misbranding of Nef-Tex Tablets. U. S. v. 28 Cartons \* \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 27156. Sample No. 13116-K.)

LIBEL FILED: April 26, 1949, District of Delaware.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 18, 1948, by the Drexel Laboratories, from Drexel Hill, Pa.

PRODUCT: 28 cartons each containing a leaflet entitled "Nef-Tex Tablets" and a 48-tablet bottle of Nef-Tex Tablets at Wilmington, Del. Analysis showed that the product consisted essentially of oxyquinoline sulfate (1 grain per tablet), saccharin, methyl salicylate, and oil of peppermint.